

TEUTONS GAIN
ANOTHER MILE
NEAR VERDUN

French Troops Have Evacuated Beaumont According to War Office Report. Fighting Less Violent.

ESTABLISH NEW LINE
BEHIND BEAUMONT

New Bombardment is Directed on German Positions in Argonne Near Vauquois.

International News Service: BERLIN, Feb. 25.—Six more positions fortified by the French for the defense of Verdun upon the north have been captured by the Germans, the war office announced today.

These places are listed as "fortified villages and farms" in the official report. They follow: Champneville, Beaumont, Cotellette, Marmont, Ornes and Chambray.

The German battle front is now only four and one-half miles north of Verdun.

"The number of prisoners taken by us was increased by more than 7,000. The total now numbers more than 10,000. No information can be given in regard to the booty and supplies captured."

International News Service: BERLIN, Feb. 25 (via Amsterdam).—That Verdun is doomed to fall before the attacks of German legions was the opinion expressed by German military experts today. They pointed out that for many months the French army had fought desperately to keep the Germans out of gun range of the Verdun forts, but that from the positions the attacking forces now hold it is possible for them to bombard practically all of the main fortifications. If the French are finally forced to abandon Verdun, the salient held by the Germans at St. Mihiel will serve the purpose for which it has been held since early in the war. From their terrible flank attacks can be directed against the retreating troops.

International News Service: PARIS, Feb. 25.—French troops have evacuated Beaumont, five and one-half miles north of Verdun, it was officially reported by the war office today.

It was announced that the French have established their lines behind Beaumont along the heights of Champneville and south of Ornes. There was a comparative lull in the fighting last night, the war office speaking of the fighting as being "less violent." The Germans, for the first time in four nights, did not deliver any attacks during the darkness.

Beaumont is the fourth fortified village north of Verdun to be evacuated by the French, the others being Hamlin, Brabant-sur-Meuse and Samogneux.

Champneville lies above a big bend of the Meuse river, five miles north of Verdun. It occupies the western flank of a chain of hills stretching north and southeast of the Meuse river.

Gain Another Mile.
The admission of the retirement of the French behind Beaumont indicates that the Germans have gained another mile.

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ITALIANS SINK 3
AUSTRIAN SUBS

International News Service: ROME, Feb. 25.—Three Austrian submarines have been sunk in the Adriatic since the middle of December, the ministry of marine announced today. The enemy also suffered the loss of a hydroplane.

These facts were set forth in an official statement describing the work of the Italian fleet.

"Since the middle of December," says the statement, "30,000 troops were moved between the two coasts under the escort of Italian and allied ships. In addition, 30,000 tons of supplies requiring 100 small steamers, were transported to the coast of Albania."

"Two kings, several princes, ministers, political personages and military authorities crossed safely. Notwithstanding the fact that the steamers were plying between known points, the enemy never succeeded in embarrassing operations."

"Only three small steamers were lost. One was torpedoed; two were lost through mines. The enemy lost three submarines and a hydroplane."

KAISER'S YOUNGEST
SON TO WED IN MARCH

PRINCE JOACHIM

Dispatches from Amsterdam say that the Kaiser has announced the wedding date of his youngest son, Prince Joachim, as March 11. The wedding will take place at Potsdam. The announcement of the engagement of Prince Joachim to Princess Marie Augustine, daughter of Prince Edward of Anhalt was officially announced last October.

Prince Joachim, who was 25 years old on Dec. 17, is a captain in the 14th regiment of hussars, in the Foot Guards, the Grenadier Guards, and several other military organizations, is the only unmarried son of the Kaiser. His fiancée is the niece of the reigning Duke Frederick II. of Anhalt, and was born on June 10, 1898. It has been reported that her father is fighting under Crown Prince Frederick Wilhelm, brother of Prince Joachim, on the Argonne front.

ARRESTS ARE DUE
THIS AFTERNOON

Sheriff Bailey and His Deputies Expect a Busy Time.

It looked like a busy time ahead for Sheriff Charles E. Bailey and his deputies Friday, following the return of the 131 secret indictments by the grand jury in circuit court on Thursday. Warrants were to be issued this afternoon and turned into the sheriff's office for service late this afternoon. It was also expected that the general roundup of the parties concerned in the indictments would be made on Saturday.

Because of the unusually large number, 121 being returned in all, the issuance of warrants for the arrest of those concerned, has been delayed. Bonds in each instance had to be set down and the warrants made out on the strength of the indictments.

This is the largest number of indictments returned by any grand jury in years. The largest number in recent times has not approximated 40. An unusually small number of bound over cases, it is believed, is included in the list returned Thursday afternoon.

It is believed that the indictments will stand, although it was intimated that the allegations made by a wife of one of the grand jurors that he had no property, might in some respects invalidate the bills. Pros. Chester R. Montgomery said:

"I have nothing to do with the choosing or impeaching of the grand jurors," said the prosecutor. "The drawings are made by the jury commissioners, who examine the fitness of jurors to serve on the grand jury prior to placing their names in the box. In a hasty examination of the statute regarding the qualification of grand jurors, it is not in my opinion necessary for a juror to own real estate."

"He must be a householder as Fack was, but further than that there is nothing in the general laws governing the qualifications of jurors about 'being necessary for them to be property owners.'"

That attorneys representing parties involved in the grand jury investigations, against whom indictments have been returned, would attack the validity of the bills, was the prevailing belief last night. Pleas in abatement, to question the jurisdiction of the court, were to be used as a chief factor in scoring against the prosecution in the actual trial of the cases.

TOOK OVERCOAT.
Dewey E. Coomer, 265 Sadie st., has asked the police department to arrest John O'Dell upon a charge of larceny. According to Coomer, O'Dell borrowed his overcoat and failed to return it.

SCHOOL BOARD
QUESTION NOW
UP TO KELLER

Mayor is Due to Give Answer to Two Questions Put to Him at Three O'clock This Afternoon.

TWO BOARD MEMBERS
ARE NOW IN DETROIT

Said to be on Hunt For Successor to Montgomery and Other Local Teachers.

Mayor Keller's answer to the two secret questions that were put to the city executive in regard to the school controversy at a conference between the mayor, F. E. Hering and W. W. Ridenour Wednesday afternoon was to have been given at a meeting between Mayor Keller and Mr. Ridenour at 3 o'clock this afternoon. Mr. Hering, who, with Mr. Ridenour, was appointed at a citizens' meeting at the Chamber of Commerce Wednesday night, went to Toledo this morning, leaving his fellow committeeman in charge.

The two questions which Mayor Keller has been thinking over since Thursday's conference were submitted to him in writing. It was generally considered today that they were of real importance, for neither Mr. Ridenour nor Mr. Hering would give any intimation of what they were until the mayor had made a reply to them.

Early this afternoon Mr. Ridenour was not sure that a conference between himself and the mayor would be necessary to get Mr. Keller's answer. He said that it might be received over the telephone before the hour named by Mayor Keller when he would have his decision ready. Only a few minutes were considered necessary by Mr. Ridenour to get the answer that will decide the school situation one way or the other.

Are in Detroit.
A. L. Hubbard's willingness to resign as a member of the school board if E. B. Rupel and William Clem will do the same thing is still hanging fire, owing to the fact the two majority members of the board are in Detroit. Mr. Rupel and Mr. Clem left the city Thursday morning to attend a meeting of Michigan's school teachers and superintendents with the view of filling the place that will be vacant next year, owing to their own refusal to renew L. J. Montgomery's contract as superintendent of schools. Mr. Hubbard was in Chicago during the day, returning to the city late this afternoon.

That Rupel and Clem were looking around for more than a man to fill the superintendency was the rumormongers around the city Friday. The two men were supposed to be after teachers to fill the vacancies that will be caused by a general cleanup of everybody who favored Mr. Montgomery's retention.

In their absence, those desirous of giving Mr. Montgomery at least an impartial trial on the charges made by Mr. Rupel, have lost no time. Thursday night's meeting of the board of directors of the Chamber of Commerce unanimously passed the resolution presented at Wednesday night's gathering of citizens interested in the school controversy. The petition, addressed to Mayor Fred W. Keller was substantially the same, with the exception of the insertion of the name of the body, as that presented in person by Frank E. Hering, E. Louis Kuhns, president, and F. M. Boone, secretary, signed the petition for the board.

WHITE NAMED.
International News Service: WASHINGTON, Feb. 25.—The senate today confirmed to be commissioner of immigration Edward White, San Francisco.

TURKS ARE DEFEATED
BY RUSSIAN TROOPS

International News Service: PETROGRAD, Feb. 25.—Russian troops have won another great victory over the Turks, this time on Persian territory. The Ottoman forces are in full retreat toward Kermanshah. The Russians are pursuing.

The following official report was issued here today: "Russian troops have dislodged the enemy from Bideurk pass and occupied Sakhp pass. They are pursuing the Turks, who are in full retreat toward Kermanshah. We captured three field guns, one mountain gun, many shells, eight ammunition wagons and field machine guns."

MRS. GARRISON IS
NOW PRIVATE CITIZEN

MRS. LINDLEY M. GARRISON.

"Much as I have enjoyed Washington, I shall be glad of the rest that our departure from the capital will mean for me. The social demands in official and diplomatic circles are very exacting and I am very tired."

Mrs. Lindley M. Garrison, wife of the former secretary of war, smiled wistfully as she made this statement here, where she is visiting at the home of Mrs. George Leary.

"You see, I am a private citizen again, and that means more to me than you can imagine," continued Mrs. Garrison.

DISMISS MOTION
IS TURNED DOWN

Men Accused of Restraining Shipment of War Munitions to be Tried.

International News Service: WASHINGTON, Feb. 25.—U. S. Commissioner Taylor today overruled a motion made on behalf of Herman Schulteis, H. B. Martin and H. E. Fowler, officers of Labor's National Peace council, to discharge them from the federal indictment charging conspiracy to restrain shipment of war munitions. The indictment was returned at New York.

Attorneys for the three men announced they would immediately apply for a writ of habeas corpus to transfer the cases from the New York court to the United States court here.

ROBBED BOARDING TRAIN.
International News Service: INDIANAPOLIS, Feb. 25.—As Rev. J. W. Gaddis of Charleston, Ill., was boarding a train at the union station pickpockets jostled him and robbed him of his purse containing \$3 and his ticket home. No arrests were made.

Latest in the News World

EFFORT BLOCKED.

International News Service: WASHINGTON, Feb. 25.—The first effort to discuss the international submarine issue on the floor of the house was smothered today by Speaker Clark. Rep. Harburt of New York sought to have put through a motion to print 5,000 additional copies of the resolution of Rep. McLenore warning Americans of belligerent ships.

"That is not a matter for the house," the speaker said. "The gentleman from New York will settle that with the printing committee."

LOSSES 170,000.

AMSTERDAM, Feb. 25.—According to the Telegram the German losses on the Ypres front during the last three weeks have totalled 170,000 men.

TO PREVENT BREAK.

International News Service: WASHINGTON, Feb. 25.—A resolution to prevent the president from severing diplomatic relations with Germany before obtaining the consent of congress was introduced in the senate today by Sen. Jones of Washington.

At the request of Sen. Stone,

PRIVATE LIFE
OF MRS. EATON
ENTERED INTO

Woman Who Started Probe at Chicago is Questioned in Detail About Her Two Marriages.

SOME HOUSES TO BE
TURNED UPSIDE DOWN

Attorney Promises to Retaliate With Sensational Charges—Against Prominent People.

International News Service: CHICAGO, Feb. 25.—Attack on the character and good name of Mrs. Page Waller Eaton who is credited with starting the expose of the "petticoat graft scandal" of Chicago's city hall was begun today. Stephen Malato, attorney for Mrs. Louise Osborne Rowe, who is accused by Mrs. Eaton of padding the city welfare department payroll and of embezzling \$3,000,000, made the attack when he opened the cross-examination of Mrs. Eaton before the civil service commission.

The accuser of Mrs. Rowe previously had repeated her charges against her superior and when Atty. Malato began asking Mrs. Eaton about her private life, strenuous objection was made by Seymour Steadman, attorney for Mrs. Eaton. A legal tilt ended in the commission ruling that Atty. Malato would be permitted the widest latitude in his examination of the witness.

Malato questioned Mrs. Eaton in detail about her two marriages and her present separation from her second husband, Atty. Steadman interrupted and said:

"I've tried to prevent this sort of questioning, because I know there will be some houses in Chicago that will be turned upside down."

Steadman had previously said that if Mrs. Eaton's private life was inquired into with a view to injuring her reputation, a number of sensational scandals implicating many prominent men and women would be bared.

I. C. RAILROAD SUED

Accused of Violating Cattle Quarantine Law.

International News Service: DANVILLE, Ill., Feb. 25.—The Illinois Central Railway Co. has been made defendant in three suits filed in the United States court here, charged with violation of the cattle quarantine law. Government inspectors allege the company hauled into the National Stock yards at East St. Louis, Ill., several shipments of cattle from infected districts of the states of Mississippi and Alabama.

BAR ASSOCIATION MEETS

Memorial Services For Late H. A. Steis Are Held.

High tribute was paid to the memory of the late Henry A. Steis by the St. Joseph County Bar association Friday afternoon. Appropriate resolutions were prepared and ordered spread upon the records of both the circuit and superior courts. Judge Timothy E. Howard, Judges Walter A. Funk and George Ford paid tribute to the memory of Mr. Steis.

MARRIAGE LICENSES.

Walter D. Overman, Mishawaka, painter; Leona F. Wolt, a spinner, Theodore R. Krause, decorator; Hilda Winnie.

Clyde Aurand, Vandalia, Mich.; Edna Harburn, hardware clerk.

W. D. Wilson, Colorado, farmer; Susan M. Wisler, Wakarusa, Ind.

Norman E. Hammett, steward, Indiana; Florence A. Padach, stenographer, Culver, Ind.

Steve Horvath, painter; Josephine Horvath, dressmaker.

Nick Varco, tailor; Anna Torok. Arthur Verhaege, laborer, Mishawaka; Irma Tuck Bishbrooke, knitter, Mishawaka.

FLETCHER CONFIRMED.
International News Service: WASHINGTON, Feb. 25.—The senate today confirmed Henry P. Fletcher as ambassador to Mexico by a vote of 49 to 18.

UNDER SIEGE.
International News Service: VIENNA, Feb. 25.—Durazzo, capital of Albania is now under siege by Austro-Hungarian troops. It was announced today by the Austrian war office. Italian troops in Albania have been defeated by the Austro-Hungarians.

SUBWAY FLOODED.
International News Service: NEW YORK, Feb. 25.—The entire subway system between Grand Central station and 72nd st. was tied up today by a flood of water which caused a short circuit at Times square. In addition to a heavy rain a torrent from a broken sewer pipe added to the flood.

Stand Taken by Wilson
Is Indorsed by the Cabinet

WASHINGTON, Feb. 25.—The cabinet today assured President Wilson that its members were behind him to a man in the decision to refuse to permit congressional interference in the international situation. Even the members who have been inclined to believe that conciliation tactics would be worth trying endorsed the declarations contained in the president's letter to Sen. Stone and his warning to the house leaders who conferred with him earlier in the day.

The entire international situation was thoroughly canvassed. It is understood that the general sentiment expressed by both the president and Sec'y Lansing was that hope for an amicable settlement of the questions at issue with Germany eventually will agree to stand by her original promises. Lansing is understood to have said:

"The American people do not want our army and navy placed at the disposal of a foreign monarch," was one of the sentences in the telegram. Bryan urged that a resolution warning Americans to stay off armed vessels be passed at once.

PASSENGERS ARE
TAKEN OFF SHIP

Steamer in Collision Sends Out Call For Help—Not Badly Damaged.

International News Service: NORFOLK, Va., Feb. 25.—Advices received here today by E. H. Lohr, general manager of the Merchants and Miners' line, state that the steamer Cretan of that line was in collision with an unidentified schooner off Cape Hatteras early this morning, but neither was seriously damaged.

The captain of the Cretan, however, decided to take no chances and wireless "S. O. S." calls until the steamer Dorothea of the Bull line, responded. The Dorothea took off the Cretan's passengers and is heading for Norfolk. None of the passengers were seriously injured. The Dorothea is expected to reach here tonight.

The Cretan also is expected to reach Norfolk some time tonight.

ESSAD PASHA IN ROME

Belief is That He Flew Albania to Escape Capture.

International News Service: ROME, Feb. 25.—Essad Pasha, president of Albania, has arrived in Rome to confer with members of the government, it was announced today.

In view of Austrian announcement that Austro-Hungarian troops have laid siege to Durazzo, the seat of Essad Pasha's government, ground is furnished for the belief that the Albanian ruler has fled to escape capture.

WILL ARRANGE FOR
BABY WEEK TONIGHT

Executive officers and committees will be appointed at the meeting of those interested in the promotion of Baby Week, which will be held tonight at 7:30 o'clock in the board of health offices on the second floor of the city hall. All those who are interested in the movement are invited to be present as the final arrangements for the affair which is a nation-wide movement, will be made tonight.

A general scheme for the observance of Baby Week has already been worked out and the final details will be touched upon at the meeting tonight. Baby Week has been set for the week beginning May 21.

TRAINING CAMP TO BE
HELD AT INDIANAPOLIS

Fort Ben Harrison This Summer.
Rookies Are Expected to Gather at Fort Ben Harrison This Summer.

International News Service: INDIANAPOLIS, Feb. 25.—Fort Benjamin Harrison, near here, probably will be one of the three civilian training camps in the central district this summer. The other two are Fort Sheridan and Ludington, Mich. The dates for Indianapolis and Ludington are tentatively set for July 1 to the middle of September, and for Fort Sheridan from Aug. 1 to the middle of September.

This information was received today in a letter from H. B. Parsons, mayor of Evanston, and president of the Fort Sheridan Training Camp association.

ENGINE HITS PASSENGER

Two Men Painfully Hurt in Collision at Boston.

International News Service: BOSTON, Feb. 25.—A crowded passenger train on the Plymouth division of the New Haven road was run into by an engine as the train was pulling into the south station, shortly before 10 o'clock this morning.

Two men were painfully injured while many other passengers were shaken and bruised.

WILSON HOLDS
HONOR OF U.S.
IS AT STAKE

Goes Over Entire Situation With Democratic Leaders. International Laws Must be Observed.

BERLIN MAY AID IN
ENDING DISCUSSION

Speaker Clark Hints That Threatened Performance May be Postponed Until Later in March.

International News Service: WASHINGTON, Feb. 25.—President Wilson today called upon Speaker Champ Clarke, Majority Leader Claude Kitchin and Rep. Henry D. Flood, chairman of the house foreign affairs committee, to end all agitation for interference by congress in the international situation. For nearly an hour the entire situation was canvassed.

The president stood squarely on his letter to Sen. Stone, made public last night. He insisted that the honor of the United States was at stake and that there could be no backing down from the position taken that the rules of international law shall be observed by the central powers in conducting their submarine campaign.

The house democratic leaders told the president they would do what they could to prevent any interference by congress until all diplomatic measures had been exhausted. They went immediately from the white house to the capital to take the matter up with members generally.

Speaker Clark Talks.
After he had returned to the capitol Speaker Clark said:

"I think that the chances are that Germany will postpone this threatened performance until after March 15, or perhaps until April 1. There are rumors to that effect."

The speaker said that if Germany did postpone her threatened action the excitement in the house would automatically postpone itself.

The speaker was designated to do the talking for the house leaders. He declared that President Wilson had told flatly that in the present temper of the house a resolution warning Americans off belligerent ships would pass the house two to one. The speaker said:

"The president's letter to Sen. Stone and Sen. Stone's letter to the president set forth the sum and substance of the conference outside of an explanation made as to the temper of the house regarding the diplomatic situation with Germany and some argument on both sides."

Would Carry Two to One.
"We told the president how the house felt, in our judgment, I told him that this warning resolution would carry two to one if it ever reached a vote on the floor. Some of its supporters, I said, thought it would carry by three to one."

Under the present parliamentary situation the speaker said that it would be some time before that warning resolution could be placed in a position where a vote could be forced on the house. There was no chance, he said, of the resolution being brought up today. It would be impossible to get unanimous consent to consider the measure, he pointed out.

No Speedy Action.
A motion to discharge the foreign affairs committee from consideration was defeated.

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WIRELESS PLANTS
FOUND ON COAST

International News Service: WASHINGTON, Feb. 25.—Secret foreign wireless stations have been discovered on the California coast by agents of the department of justice and of the navy department. Investigations of the government agents have uncovered evidence indicating that a string of hidden stations, operated for unneutral purposes in the interests of belligerent nations, extend practically the length of the California coast.

The stations are chiefly receiving stations, but a few sending stations are understood to have been discovered as well. The discoveries made so far have led officials to believe that the system of hidden wireless stations is much more extensive than at first thought and that it may possibly extend around the entire country.

The investigation of wireless stations in which the department of justice and the navy department are cooperating is going quietly forward.